Homeless Health Services

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HCH Coordinator: Sheila McLeod, M Ed **Medical Director:** Napoleon Epejo, MD

UDS Number: 083670

Project Description

The Homeless Health Services' (HHS) mission is to provide comprehensive primary health care to people experiencing homelessness in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

Services

HHS is a program of Family Healthcare Center in Fargo. The project maintains a primary care clinic downtown in the Salvation Army building. Clinic hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Services include management of acute and chronic health problems, preventive care, and patient education. Patients receive case management services, including referrals for mental health and substance abuse services. Outreach is provided by staff at area shelters and other community sites serving people who are experiencing homelessness.

Linkages

Homeless Health Services has linkages with Family Health Care, Fargo Cass Public Health, Merit Care Medical Center, Southeast Human Service Center, Lakeland Mental Health, area shelters, and transitional housing sites.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 5,000 Project users: 900

Subcontractor(s):

Family Health Care Center

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Director: Lori Johnson (Interim)

HCH Coordinator: Charles Mulvaney **Medical Director:** Guy Tangedahl, MD

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Project Description

Joanne's Healthcare for the Homeless Clinic is operated by the Ruth Meiers Hospitality House, Inc. which is a homeless shelter providing emergency, transitional, and permanent housing and support services to men, women, and children. Joanne's HCH Clinic offers primary and preventive medical services to sheltered and unsheltered men, women, and children who are homeless in Bismarck-Mandan and the surrounding area.

Services

Joanne's HCH Clinic operates a primary care clinic in the Ruth Meier's Hospitality House Administrative building which also houses the Men's Emergency Shelter. Clinic hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm with hours extending to 8:30 pm on Mondays. The clinic is staffed by a full-time nurse practitioner, volunteer second year medical students, a full-time registered nurse, and a part-time addiction counselor. Patients receive referrals for mental health, dental, and optometry services. The clinic is a designated state HIV testing site and provides testing and education services. Outreach is provided by staff at other shelters and programs.

Linkages

Joanne's HCH Clinic has linkages with Middakota Clinic for laboratory, x-ray, and specialty medical services, and the University of North Dakota Family Practice Center for second and third year resident physicians. A local optometrist provides eye exams and glasses. Dakota Pharmacy offers prescriptions at cost and mental health and drug and alcohol treatment services are offered through West Central Human Service Center. Dental services are provided through area dentists, pending a formal agreement with Bridging the Dental Gap Clinic.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 3.000 Project users: 167

Subcontractor(s):

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